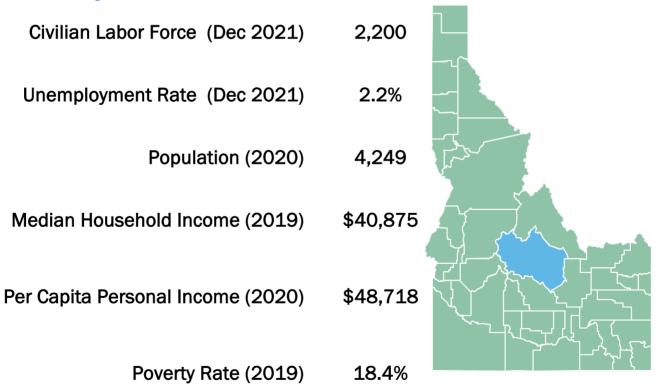


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Custer County Economic Overview



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1. County Demographic Characteristics, 2019

	Custer County	Custer County (%)	State of Idaho (%)	United States (%)	
Total Population	4,169	100.0%	1,717,750	324,697,795	
Race and Ethnicity					
White alone, not hispanic	3,719	89.2%	82.0%	60.7%	
Black or African American alone, not hispanic	5	0.1%	0.7%	12.3%	
Native American alone, not hispanic	42	1.0%	1.1%	0.7%	
Asian alone, not hispanic	0	0.0%	1.3%	5.5%	
Hispanic, or Latino (of any race)	175	4.2%	12.5%	18.0%	
Gender					
Male	2,147	51.5%	50.1%	49.2%	
Female	2,022	48.5%	49.9%	50.8%	
Age					
Median age	53.0	-	40.3	38.1	
Under 18 years	672	16.1%	25.7%	22.6%	
Over 18 years	3,497	83.9%	74.3%	77.4%	
21 years and over	3,195	76.6%	64.9%	67.9%	
Over 65 years	1,368	32.8%	15.4%	15.6%	
Educational Attainment (Population 25 years and Over)					
Less than 9th grade	83	2.0%	2.2%	3.5%	
High school graduate (with equivalencies)	913	21.9%	17.8%	18.3%	
Some college, no degree	840	20.1%	16.9%	13.9%	
Associate's degree	324	7.8%	6.4%	5.8%	
Bachelor's degree	601	14.4%	12.1%	13.4%	
Graduate or professional degree	178	4.3%	5.8%	8.4%	
Median Household Income	\$40,875	-	\$56,605	\$62,843	

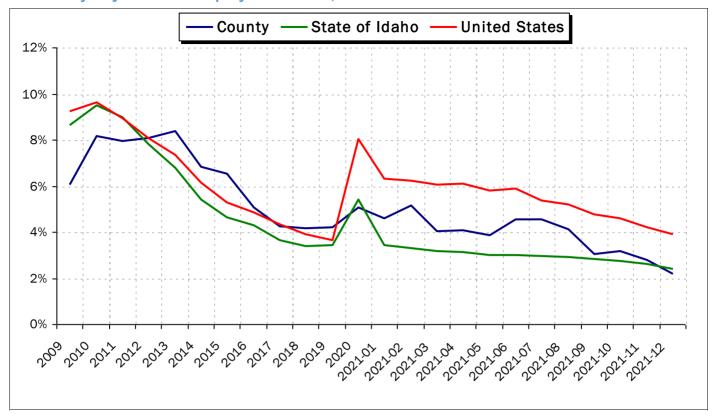
Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 2019 5-Year Estimates

2. Labor Force

	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployed	Unemployment Rate
December 2021	2,200	2,152	48	2.2%
December 2020	2,398	2,290	108	4.5%

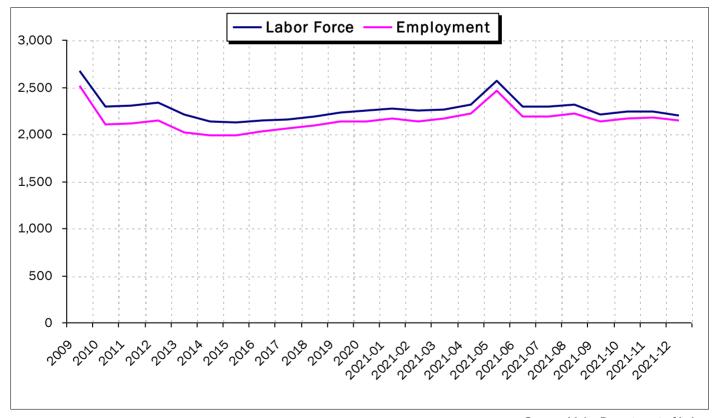
Source: Idaho Department of Labor

3. Seasonally-Adjusted Unemployment Rate, 2009 - Current



Source: Idaho Department of Labor

4. Seasonally-Adjusted Labor Force and Employment, 2009 - Current



Source: Idaho Department of Labor

5. Industry Employment and Wages - 2010, 2019 and 2020

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Supersector	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages	Average Employment	Average Wages
Total Covered Wages	1,675	\$34,875	1,513	\$32,412	1,490	\$34,366
Natural Resources and Mining	421	\$63,456	118	\$57,349	128	\$57,579
Construction	57	\$30,918	61	\$31,119	77	\$32,857
Manufacturing			20	\$36,803	21	\$31,333
Trade,Transportation, and Utilities	263	\$22,860	281	\$29,021	269	\$33,492
Information	33	\$43,107	39	\$52,144	33	\$55,143
Financial Activities	50	\$18,630	27	\$27,008	22	\$31,605
Professional and Business Services	56	\$35,369	68	\$34,452	56	\$38,561
Education and Health Services	218	\$21,301	224	\$26,508	234	\$25,755
Leisure and Hospitality	268	\$13,390	372	\$21,431	364	\$25,007
Other Services	26	\$12,582	57	\$14,512	35	\$16,458
Public Administration	273	\$39,974	238	\$48,907	244	\$46,142

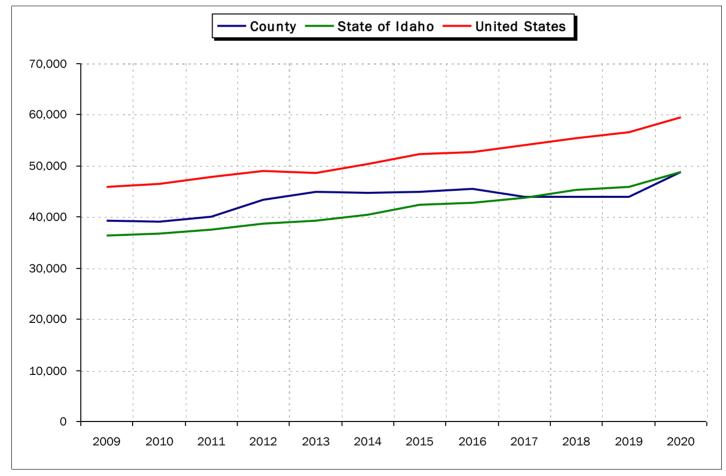
Source: Idaho Department of Labor

6. Top Employers, 2020

Employer	Ownership	Range
U.s. Forest Service	Federal Gov	100 - 249
Challis Joint School District	Local Gov	50 - 99
Personal Home Care	Private	50 - 99
Thompson Creek Mining	Private	50 - 99
Custer County	Local Gov	50 - 99
Mackay Joint School District	Local Gov	10 - 49
Redfish Lake Lodge	Private	10 - 49
Idaho Department Of Fish And Game	State Gov	10 - 49
Lamb's Market	Private	10 - 49
Mountain Village Resort	Private	10 - 49

NOTE: Only employers that have given the Department permission to release employment range data are listed. Source: Idaho Department of Labor

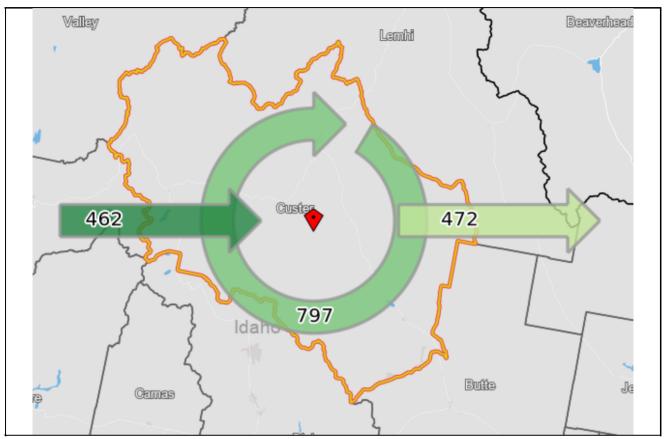
7. Real Per Capita Income, 2009 - 2020



Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis

8. Labor Force Commuting Patterns, 2019

It is estimated that 797 workers lived and worked in Custer County in 2019. Another 462 workers were employed in Custer County but lived outside, while 472 workers commuted to other counties for work.



Source: US Census Bureau

9. Top 10 Cities Where People Who Work in Custer County Live, 2019

City of Residence	All Jobs	Percentage
Challis	195	15.5%
Mackay	88	7.0%
Idaho Falls	29	2.3%
Boise City	24	1.9%
Salmon	24	1.9%
Twin Falls	13	1.0%
Arco	11	0.9%
Nampa	11	0.9%
Stanley	11	0.9%
Lost River	10	0.8%

Note: "All Jobs" includes private and public sector jobs. It also includes a count of workers with multiple jobs. Source: US Census Bureau

10. Top 10 Cities Where People Who Live in Custer County Work, 2019

City of Employment	All Jobs	Percentage
Challis	281	22.1%
Mackay	245	19.3%
Idaho Falls	86	6.8%
Stanley	65	5.1%
Boise City	49	3.9%
Arco	28	2.2%
Meridian	22	1.7%
Salmon	15	1.2%
Pocatello	13	1.0%
Jerome	12	0.9%

Note: "All Jobs" includes private and public sector jobs. It also includes a count of workers with multiple jobs. Source: US Census Bureau

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